

FROM THE  
COLONIESNew Zealand Absorbs  
Islands.

## FIJI AND FEDERATION

France Annexes Rurutu—Earthquake  
in Tonga—In Tow for Auckland—News Notes.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Sept. 23.—The Premier's motion to extend the boundaries of the colony, to be moved today, is as follows:

"That, whereas, it is desirable in the best interests of the colony and of the inhabitants of certain islands in the Pacific, hereinafter mentioned, that those islands should be annexed to this colony, this House therefore approves of the alteration of the boundaries of this colony, and consents to extension of the said boundaries so as to include the following islands: Atiu, Mangaia, Mauke, Mitau, Rarotonga, Rarotonga, Manahiki, Palmerston, Penryn, Pukapuka, Raka-hanga and Niue (or Savage Island)."

It is understood that the British Government has consented to the annexation of these islands, hence H. M. Milder's visit thereto.

## EARTHQUAKE IN TONGA.

NUKULOFA, Sept. 23.—Most of the dwellers in this island were awakened rather rudely from their slumbers at about 6 a. m. on August 21st by a rather severe shock of earthquake. It commenced with a sudden shake, and then a pause of a second or two, followed by a very decided and prolonged quiver.

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The committee of the Federal League, says the Fiji Times of September 8, do not, apparently, intend to let the grass grow under their feet, nor permit the movement to die a natural death. A meeting was held on Thursday afternoon last, and from expressions on all sides it could easily be seen that the members of the committee wished to let the movement go forward their project. The sub-committee appointed for that purpose laid before the meeting the draft petition which will eventually be forwarded to the Premier and Parliament of New Zealand. It was decided to hold a public meeting in the Mechanics' Institute on Thursday evening next, 13th instant, to consider the question of Federation with New Zealand.

## IN TOW FOR AUCKLAND.

AUCKLAND, Sept. 23.—The purser of the mail steamer Mariposa which arrived from Apia on September 23 reports that the hull of the bark Elze was sold on August 23 to J. J. Craig of Auckland by Mr. Rosenberg of Apia for the sum of \$2,000, as she lay at Apia, with all faults. This vessel had a very eventful time whilst beating up towards Apia harbor whilst in charge of the pilot, in May last. She vessel missed stays and went on the reef, and had a very rough experience, being bumped about on the reef for some time. She was afterwards towed off and taken into Apia harbor, when it was found she was making a considerable quantity of water. Divers were employed to survey the vessel's bottom, and they reported that she was badly knocked about on the bottom and keel, a considerable number of the plates and frames being bulged in and broken, the rivets and cement broken. A marine inquiry was held, and the vessel was condemned, and her register cancelled. She was afterwards dismantled, and sold by auction, by order of the German Court, the hull bringing \$1,400, the rigging, sails, spars, anchors, chains and running gear being sold in separate lots, fetching about \$1,000. The late captain proceeded from Apia to San Francisco by the last trip of the Mariposa. The Elze left Apia on the 18th instant in tow of the Union Company's steamer Hauraki, for Auckland, and should arrive early next week.

## FRENCH ANNEXATION.

TAHITI, Society Islands, Sept. 5.—The natives of Rurutu, one of the Austral group (Tubual Islands), about 350 miles south of Tahiti, are the owners of two schooners, Manureva and Toroua. They complained that they could not trade with the Leeward Islands, or the Tuamotus, as their island was only a protectorate of France, and their vessels under the protectorate flag. They therefore petitioned the French Government to annex the island. The warship Aube, with 11th Excellency the Governor on board, left Papeete (capital of the Society Islands) on August 23 and returned on the 29th, after having annexed the island to France.

## COLONIAL NEWS NOTES.

Lord Roberts may pay a visit to New Zealand.

Mr. J. H. Upton has finally declined the Auckland Mayoralty.

The Female Franchise bill has been rejected by the Victorian Council.

The Breelong blacks have been heard from again in New South Wales.

Four men have been drowned at Sydney as the result of a yachting accident.

The New Zealand Government is about to introduce a bill to confer a certain amount of self-government on the Maori race.

The Secret Defence Committee recommends the expenditure of \$150,000 on the Auckland forts.

The May Queen-Hauraki mine, New Zealand, has yielded \$2,750 worth of gold for the past month.

The Premier of New Zealand proposes to use prison labor in planting the waste lands of the country with trees.

Mr. Withford, H. R. Jones and the Government to seriously consider the decline in the New Zealand birthrate.

The mail steamer Moana has over a third of a million pounds sterling in gold on board from Sydney for San Francisco.

Recently the wife of a resident on the Akaroa peninsula presented him with his twenty-eighth child.

The largest piece of steel casting ever made in New Zealand, weighing 2,000 pounds, was completed at T. Waddell & Co.'s foundry, Christchurch.

An old resident of Invercargill, who had been in receipt of the old age pension, received the welcome information recently that through the death of a brother he had benefited to the extent of \$20,000.

The steamer Kumara went as far as 4 degrees south in crossing the Southern Ocean on her way here from the Cape, and her passengers had some snow-balling on deck. A large iceberg was seen.

The Irish flag, which was made in a convent in Ireland to the order of a number of Irishmen in Hawke's Bay, has been brought to Wellington. It is of rich material, finely marked, measures 12 feet by 6 feet, and is valued at \$750.

The Premier of Victoria states that as soon as he is officially informed regarding

a tender being accepted for the construction of the Pacific cable, he will introduce a bill in the Assembly providing Victoria's share of the cost.

The New Zealand Premier proposes in connection with the South Sea Islands annexation scheme that one native member from each group should be appointed to Parliament and one European to the Legislative Council.

The total value of frozen hares exported from New Zealand during the past five years amounts to \$17,735 and of other kinds of game \$40 worth was sent away. The hares are sent mainly from Timaru and Oamaru. The largest number exported was 17,04 in 1898.

Mr. J. J. Craig of Auckland has added yet another vessel to his large fleet. This is the barkentine Lark, which was at one time a British Government patrol vessel in the South Sea Islands, and did a lot of cruising in connection with the supervision of the Western Pacific labor traffic.

There are so many buildings going up at Dunedin that there is a scarcity of stonemasons. Mr. Maxwell, of the Labor Bureau, could find continuous work for eight months for about thirty masons on the Otago Central railway, but cannot get the men. At present about 400 men are at work on the line.

During the discussion upon the cost of living in Christchurch and Wellington, at a meeting of the Conciliation Board in Wellington, the chairman (Rev. J. C. Gwyer) said no one could conceive him or any other man who had lived in the two cities, that it was as cheap to live in Wellington as in Christchurch.

It is urged by Sir James Hector that every effort should be made to preserve the New Zealand snipe, which was becoming very rare indeed. This bird, he says, is one of the smartest game birds that could be got. It retained all the characteristics of the English snipe, flew in a zigzag manner, was difficult to shoot, and afforded capital sport.

The Akaroa Mail says that a curious discovery was made by Mr. Peter Johnson, while engaged in digging Mr. Maloney's garden, near the Little River Runway Station. The discovery consisted of a greenstone tomahawk, also a Maori mere, together with some ancient coins. The services of an expert are about to be called to ascertain what country the coins belong to.

It was recently stated that a dietary action by the Australian Governments in settling the New Guinea Land Syndicate's claims, as recommended by the Agents General, has created an unfavorable impression on Australia, and in London. Mr. Lyne says he is strongly opposed to using the New Guinea subsidy in paying the syndicate, and will not do so without express Parliamentary sanction.

An unusually large lot of greenstone from the South was landed on the Grey-mouth wharf on the 6th instant, ready for shipment (says the Grey River Argus). One magnificent lump weighs nine hundredweight, and seemed of first-class quality. The smaller pieces are all carved into bags. Of late years the demand for greenstone was not so active as it was at one time; but a more favorable condition of the trade seems to have again set in.

As the result of a recent visit of a Native Commissioner to the country districts of Hawke's Bay, and the advice given by him, the Maoris living near Dannevirke are seeking opportunities to have their boys apprenticed to various trades (says the Advocate). Already 1500 apprentices have been found for one or two, and it is hoped that the result of the movement will be to make useful tradesmen of numerous young natives, who would otherwise lead aimless lives.

El James Hector says that the bell bird has greatly diminished in numbers in the past ten years in New Zealand, probably because the bumble bee comes with it in the honey in the bush flowers, but it exists in large numbers in the Auckland Islands. In the same way, about 1000 of the New Zealand gull went every second year goes to Siberia to do its nesting. This latter statement is questioned, as it is not certain whether it crosses the Equator or not.

News from Tutuila, Samoa, states that recently a Tuafale named Faganina, of Afuala, caught a fish (Malulu) and went home to eat it, but one of the chiefs (Aili) named Letuli heard of this and went for the native for daring to cook such a fish, and after taking all his boxes and other movables away, killed all his pigs and live stock and burned his house. It was said to be contrary to Samoan custom for a native to eat that fish unless he was a chief. The chief is now in jail at Pago-Pago.

A lamb having no less than seven legs was brought to Christchurch on Thursday last by Mr. Finlay, Hattet, having been dropped on the farm of his son-in-law, Mr. W. A. Davis. The lamb was well grown, but was dead when found. There were three forelegs, the extra one being between the other two, and it has a double foot. Another pair of hind legs have grown between the two ordinary ones. All the legs are full sized, and the extra ones appear to be attached to the frame of the lamb.

The marriage of Hera Herangi, niece of King Mahuta, to Tunga Hema Te Ao (aged 16 years), grandson of Ronata Te Ao, who for many years represented the Western Maori electorate in the House of Representatives, took place at Oaki, near Wellington, this week. The bride is a daughter of Tahuna Herangi (Charles Searancke) and Tiahua Tawhiao. Her father is a son of the Mr. Searancke who was forty years resident magistrate in the West; her mother is Tiahua Te Ao, a daughter of the late King Tawhiao, and sister of Mahuta.

A report from the Society Islands says that the French authorities there had a great plague scare. A certain class of people having been marked with a red cross, were thereafter treated to a coat of whitewash and then submerged for twenty-four hours in the water of the harbor. On the morning after the arrival at Tahiti of the "Frisco" schooner, it was found that some one had marked the lumber, three casks of wine and two mules with the red cross. The mules, it is said, died, but the post-mortem did not disclose whether they died of plague or of an overdose of whitewash and sea water.

## IT HAPPENED IN A DRUG STORE.

"One day last winter a lady came to my drug store and asked for a brand of cough medicine that I did not have in stock," says Mr. C. R. Grandin, the popular druggist of Ontario, N. Y. "She was disappointed and wanted to know what cough preparation I could recommend. I said to her that I could freely recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and she said she would take a bottle of it, and after giving it a fair trial if she did not find it worth the money to bring back the bottle and I would refund the price. In the course of a day or two the lady came back in company with a friend in need of a cough medicine and advised her to buy a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I consider that a very good recommendation for the remedy. The remedy owes its great popularity and extensive sale in a large measure to the personal recommendations of people who have been cured by its use. It is for sale by all dealers and druggists, Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents, Hawaiian Territory."

Two inches of rain is reported to have fallen at Pahala and Naalehu on Hawaii last Tuesday and Wednesday. Owing to the downpour the Mauna Loa was not able to discharge at these ports.

MARSHALL  
AT LIBERTYIs Released on Bail by  
Estee.

## HIS CASE TO BE HEARD

Editor of Extinct Volcano Gives  
Bonds of \$100—Attorneys  
Interested.

William H. Marshall is once more at liberty after three days of confinement behind prison bars and two days work on the rock pile. The editor of the extinct Volcano appeared in Judge Estee's court yesterday looking as cheerful as if his brief experience of prison life had quite agreed with him. Within five minutes after court had convened an order was issued by Judge Estee admitting Marshall to bail in the sum of \$100 pending the decision of the court as to its jurisdiction of the case and Marshall was again free before noon.

To judge from the formidable array of legal talent that appeared in court when the case was called it is going to be one of the most notable of the year. There was Attorney General Dole assisted by ex-Attorney General W. O. Smith who prosecuted the case at the trial in the Circuit Court, representing the prosecution, Marshall's attorney, J. T. DeBolt, High Sheriff Brown, United States District Attorney Baird and others. The court room was full of those interested in the case.

At the outset Judge Estee announced that the matter was one of peculiar interest and he would ask that the United States District Attorney act as amicus curiae in the matter. "It is rather a serious matter for this court to act as an appellate court to pass upon a matter which has been decided by the Supreme Court of the Territory," said Judge Estee, "but the business of this court is to consider all cases when it appears that any person is deprived of his liberty without due process of law and while I am bound to issue a writ of habeas corpus I shall want all the light on the subject that I can obtain and I will invite all attorneys who have any interest in this question to attend and assist on one side or another of the case. I shall not put any limit on the time argument. The attorneys on both sides may have all the time they desire."

"The first question which must be decided is that of jurisdiction, whether this court has a right to hear this case at all. I shall settle this matter for argument on Tuesday morning next."

"As it is likely that the case will last some time," said Attorney General Dole, "I should suggest that the defendant be admitted to bail. The prosecution is willing to have him released on merely nominal bail."

"What would you consider nominal bail?" asked Judge Estee.

"One hundred dollars would be sufficient," Mr. Dole replied.

Judge Estee immediately ordered that Marshall be released on furnishing bonds in that amount.

After the question of jurisdiction is settled the case will be taken up on its merits and it is likely to drag on for most of the year. Judge Estee stated that he had not granted the writ of habeas corpus without believing that he had jurisdiction in it, but the point was a debatable one and he was willing to give all the time necessary to it. C. S. Desky went on the bond of \$100 which Marshall was required to file and he was then formally set at liberty.

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IN MEMORY OF  
PROF. YARNDLEY

The Music at Central Union  
Church Yesterday a Trib-  
ute to Him.

(From Monday's Daily.)

At Central Union Church yesterday the music was selected especially as a tribute both to the pastor's home-coming and to the memory of Prof. J. W. Yarnley, to whom the pastor paid a feeling eulogium. Dr. Kincaid went immediately from the boat to Mrs. Yarnley, on the evening of her husband's death-day, and gave a father's comfort. He also attended the funeral of Prof. Yarnley, to whom he was greatly attached and whose musical ability he so deeply appreciated.

The organ prelude was fittingly, "St. Cecilia," by Gounod, rendered with splendid effect by Mr. Ingalls.

Mrs. Annis Montague Turner selected for the morning offertory the "O, Divine Redeemer" of Gounod, which she had last sung with Prof. Yarnley's violin obligato. The accompaniment was played by Mr. Eddy, Miss Carrie Castle and Mr. Ingalls. The solo was sung perhaps more feelingly than ever before and the ensemble was excellent, causing the singer's voice to float out over supporting sound-waves of rich harmony. Mrs. Turner sang also throughout the service, her full tones leading and swaying all.

A fine quartet by Prof. Yarnley, "As Pants the Hart," dedicated to Mrs. Tur-

ner, was well given by her, with Mrs. C. B. Damon, Mr. W. W. Hall and Mr. Chas. Cooke, all warm old friends of the beloved musician.

In the evening the call to worship was "Heavenly Father," by Abt, rendered by Mrs. Turner, with a trio, Miss Charlotte Hall, Miss Harriet Needham and Mrs. C. B. Damon.

The anthem, "Lovely Appear Upon the Mountains the Feet of Them That Preach and Bring Good News of Peace," was well sung by Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Damon and choir.

Mention must be made of the organ-work of Mr. Ingalls throughout the day, particularly the evening offertory solo, the well-known violin solo, "Cavatina," by Raff, arranged for organ by Mr. Ingalls and played by him with deep feeling.

## Nance O'Neil in Sydney.

Miss Nance O'Neil will make her first appearance as Fedora at Her Majesty's Theatre on Saturday, says the Sydney Herald of Sept. 25. The change of programme from "Ingomar" has been requested by Mr. McKee Rankin, owing to the favor with which Sardou's drama has been received in Adelaide. Mr. Thomas Kingston will be the Loris Ipanoff. There will be a holiday matinee of "Fedora" on Monday, in addition to the regular afternoon performance on Wednesday.

At Kalaupapa, Molokai, the Mormons are building a new church—a large one.

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